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**T**HE Letters from Italy have brought us the Continuation of the Journal kept in the Camp of the Allies before Toulon. It contains only what pass'd the 19th of August, yet we think it worth inserting, in Addition to the preceeding Part of that Journal, which at several Times has been given in our former to the 18th.

Aug. 19. The Breach made in Fort St. Louis being view'd, and Dispositions made for an Assault, Baron Rhebinder Field-Marshal-General, caus'd the Grenadiers that were commanded out for that Service to advance this Morning; but the Enemy have abandon'd the Fort in Disorder, and have sav'd themselves in Shallops, after some Cannon-shot. Our Men entering the Fort, found in it 23 Pieces of Cannon, most of 36 Pound Ball, and some Ammunition, with a good Number of Bullets and Bombs, 1500 Cartouches, 40 Barrels of Powder, and several Matches burning, which they put out. The Enemy have thrown into the Sea 26 Pieces of Cannon, that were plac'd in Battery on the Shore, most of them 36 pounders. They have likewise thrown in Bullets, but the Water is so low that we can easily get them up. Ord'r is given to embark the Artillery and Ammunition for which we have no further Occasion, as also the Sick and Wounded. The Adjutants that went Yesterday to the Rendezvous without the Camps to treat of an Exchange of Prisoners, return'd to Day, and report that they have agreed to make an Exchange to Morrow, that the Enemy will send us ours and fetch their own: They add, that they had learnt the Marshal de Tesse expects the Dukes of Burgundy, Berry, and Berwick; that M. d' Arenes is coming with some Battallions from Rouffillon; and that the 24th of this Month the Marshall will have 100 Battalions in his Camp, where he has 70 already. The Enemy continue their Works on the Point where stands the great Tower, and have begun to make Intrenchments on the site of St. Catherine. Our Body of Reserve is reinforce'd with 200 Grenadiers and 600 Fusileers. Count Fels having sent Notice that Count Medavy seem'd to have form'd a Design to attack him, necessary Reinforcements and Orders are sent to him.

The following Article is taken from the Harlem Courant; but is not Part of the Journal above-mention'd.

From the Camp of the Allies before Toulon, Aug. 21. To the Account given in former Letters of the Attack made by the Enemy on our Works and Approaches the 15th Instant, the following Particulars are worth adding. Prince William of Saxe-Gotha being inform'd the 14th, (on which Day it was his Turn to command in the Works, as Lieutenant General of the Emperour the Queen of Great Britain and the States General,) that the Enemy were preparing to come and attack him, gave Notice of it to the Generals: He receiv'd a Confirmation by a Deserter the following Night; and the 15th at Day-break seeing the Signal made by the Enemy for beginning the Attack, he sent his Adjutant-General to acquaint the Generals with it and to desire Succours, and dispos'd his Men into good Order and encourag'd them to acquit themselves worthily: The Enemy attack'd him on all sides with great Fury, and were at first receiv'd bravely; but our Men being overpower'd by Numbers fell into some Disorder: The Prince of Saxe-Gotha put them into Order again, and animating them by his Presence and his Words led them on to the Enemy, whose Number increasing continually, our Troops, who could not be supported, were broken a 2d time; the Prince finding his Efforts to rally them once more did not avail, turn'd to 30 Men, most Officers, that stuck to him, and said, Friends, 'tis more honourable to perish here, than to have it said The Prince of Saxe-Gotha was beaten out of his Works: Presently after, his Highness receiving a Shot under the Left Eye through his Head and another in his Body, drop'd dead on the Ground; most that kept with him, fell likewise on the Spot; but Collonel Weidman was taken. The Prince's Body being taken up and open'd, his Bowells were butted in the

Place of Action, and his Ca ca's embalm'd to be convey'd to Genoa and thence to Gotha. His Highness is lamented by all Persons high and low, for his great Courage and good Conduct. Prince Eugene was in great Danger: Prince Maurice had his Horse shot under him: In this Action we lost about 300 Men, and the Enemy, as near as we can reckon, about 1000, among them 100 Officers of Note: We retok Pelleton of our Works that Day, and till this Morning carried on our Attack; canonading and bombarding, as well from our Batteries as from the Fleet, Toulon and the Enemy's Shipping: Great Part of the City, and several of the Ships are ruin'd. Yesterday and to Day theick and in't of our Artillery were sent aboard the Fleet, and to Night or to morrow Morning early we shall break up, to march back to Piemont.

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Toulon, Sept. 1. The enemy, in their March back to the Var, left off their Sick in Boats to the Fleet that kept even with them along the Coast. They burnt all the Forage in their Way, so that our Troops which follow'd them suffer'd ex remely. The D. of Savoy was joyn'd near the Var by a Body of 8000 Men that he had sent for from Perouse. There are but 2 Battalions left in this City, the rest being with the Marshal de Tesse.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated Sept. 16.

Toulon, Sept. 4. We have Advice, that the 1st Instant the Enemy pass'd the Var over 5 Bridges, our Troops not being able to overtake them, and continu'd their March for Piemont. The greatest Part of our Troops are marching out of Provence for Dauphine. Some English Men of War being cruising off Antibes, the Garrison of that Place is augmented to 3000 Men. As the Intrenchments which the Marshal de Tesse caus'd to be made among the Hills in our Neighbourhood, will be kept as they are, the Fort on Mount St. Catherine will be demolish'd, but the Fortifications of the Forts of St. Margaret and St. Louis, especially of the latter which stands so commodiously to defend our Harbour, will be considerably enlarg'd. The Count de Grignan has receiv'd Order and Money from Court, to rebuild and repair with all Expedition the Houses that were ruin'd or shatter'd by the Bombs and burning Bullets.

Embrun, Sept. 5. Yesterday the Duke of Savoy, with all his Troops, pass'd the Mountain of Tende. 'Tis said Count Medavy is coming into Dauphine with 30 Battalions and 40 Squadrons, to cover it in Case the Enemy make any Attempt on it; and that the Marshal de Tesse will continue in Provence with the rest of the Troops, till further Orders from the King. The Garrisons of Pignerol and Suza are augmented, and the Magazines enlarg'd.

Nismes, Sept. 6. The Troops that came from Rouffillon to Provence, have repass'd the Rhone, and are marching back with all Speed to Perpignan.

Strasburg, Sept. 6. The 1st Instant in the Evening, the 6000 Men that were detach'd to Provence, return'd to the Marshal de Villars's Army, which continues encamp'd by the River Munch: But the Forage being all consum'd in that Part of the Country, 'tis thought he will come over the Rhine within 3 or 4 Days, the rather because his heavy Baggage pass'd that River Yesterday. The Enemy's Army is still encamp'd at Etingen; where they make great Preparations for going upon some Enterprize as soon as the Elector of Hanover arrives. A great Quantity of Ammunition and Provisions is carry'd from our Magazines into Fort Kehl.

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Sept. 16.

From the Imperial Camp at Etingen, Sept. 9. The 6th of this Month we had Advice, that a Detachment of the Enemy's Army had pass'd the Rhine near Munkhausen, and was advanc'd to Hagenbach: Which giving Ground to conjecture that they design'd to make an Attempt upon Landau, in Conjunction with the Troops which the Duke of Vendome

Vendome had detach'd from the Netherlands for Provence, and which are countermanded and order'd to the Rhine, our Generals resolv'd to detach some Troops to reinforce that Garrison.

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Francfort, Sept. 11. Letters from the Army of the Allies on the Upper-Rhine advise, that our Hussars had intercepted Letters which an Express was carrying to the French Court; and that it was discover'd by them, that the Enemy had really form'd a Design against Landau, and that they waited not only for the Troops they lately detach'd to Provence, but likewise for those detach'd thither from the Netherlands: In the mean Time their Army continues encamp'd behind the Murch.

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Francfort, Sept. 11. The Elector of Hanover having been magnificently entertain'd the 8th Instant at Hochst by the Elector of Menth, went the next Day to Darmstadt with the Landgrave of that Name. Last Night his Electoral Highness lay at Grentheim, designs to be at Manheim to Day, at Philippsbourg to morrow, and to arrive in the Army of the Empire the 13th: Some are of Opinion we shall soon hear of Action, the rather because the Duke of Wirtemberg is returning with his Detachment of 15 Squadrons, after having clear'd the Black-Forrest of the Enemy, and retaken from them the Castle of Hornberg.

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Paris, Sept. 12. 'Tis advis'd from the Army commanded by the Duke of Vendome, that pursuant to the King's Order he was come into the Lines of Lille, and had posted his Troops in such a Manner behind the Deule, that he hop'd to frustrate the Designs of the Enemy, who were come and encamp'd near Pont Espieres. To Day the King and the Duchess of Burgundy set out from Versailles for Fontainebleau, (whither the Dauphin and the Duke of Berry went the 4th) and where the Court will be till the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. Letters from Court assure us, that the 15 Ships order'd to be fitted out at Toulon are design'd to relieve Gaeta; but we are not without Fear that the Place will be lost, before those Ships can put to Sea. According to the Advices from the Army under the Marshal de Villars, he was to pass the Rhine the 9th or 10th of this Month, and to act only defensively the rest of the Campaign. Letters from Madrid of the 29<sup>th</sup> past, say the Prince of Asturias was christen'd the 25<sup>th</sup> and nam'd Lewis; after which the Infant was shewn from a Balcony to the Populace, who express'd great Joy on that Occasion. In Consideration of the Birth of that Prince, the King of Spain has recall'd all banish'd Persons, and order'd that the Duke of Infantado who was kept confin'd in Segovia, and all other Prisoners who were not in Durance for capital Crimes, be set at Liberty. The 8th Instant *Te Deum* was sung in the Cathedral of this City, for the Birth of the foresaid Prince, pursuant to the following Letter from the King to our Archbishop the Cardinal de Noailles.

Cousin,

Of all the visible Marks of Protection; with which it has pleas'd God to favour our Grandson the King of Spain, since he was call'd to the Crown which belongs to him by the most lawful and most sacred Rights, there has been none more illustrious and more valuable than the Birth of a Prince of Asturias. The Spaniards are the more sensibly affected with it, because for a long Course of Years they were depriv'd of the like Advantage; and the Union of the two Crowns rendering their Interests the same, France ought now to give no less Demonstrations of Joy for this Birth, than Spain has shewn for that of the Duke of Britany. Those two Princes secure equally the Stability of the two Monarchies; they take away from our common Enemies the false Notion of an Union, which they made the most Specious Pretext for the War they kindled, and give me the Satisfaction of seeing the Possession of the two Kingdoms secur'd to two Branches of my House. The just Acknowledgment I owe to God, the sole Author of so many Benefits, engages me to write you this Letter, to tell you my Desire is that you cause *Te Deum* to be sung in the Metropolitan Church of my good City of Paris, &c. Versailles, Sept. 4. 1707. Sign'd Louis, and underneath *Philippeau*.

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From the Army of the Allies at Helchin, Sept. 12. The 10th in the Evening Don Bernardo de Quirós came from Brussels, to make a Visit to the Duke of

Marlborough. The same Day General Spar detach'd from Courtray and advanc'd to Menin with his Detachment, to be the nearer at Hand to be employ'd on Occasion. To Day 1000 Pioneers under a Guard of 300 Soldiers, were sent out to make Roads to within half a League of Tournay, that the Army may march thither in 8 Columns if it shall be thought fit: and this was executed without any Opposition from the Enemy; but we hear they have since reinforce'd that Garrison. To Day the Lords the States Field-Deputies went to Menin, to confer with General Spar. Our Army extends from Helchin to Kollegem; the Duke of Marlborough's Quarter is in the Castle of Helchin belonging to the Bishop of Tournay. The Enemy lie extended behind the River Marque, from Pont-a-Tresfin to Marquette within half a League of Lille; the Elector of Bavaria has his Quarter at Annappes, and the Duke of Vendome his at Fleur.

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Tournay, Sept. 13. The Troops which lay in our Neighbourhood, march'd yesterday to joyn our Army at Pont-a-Tresfin. In this Town and Citadel is a Garrison of 13 Battallions and 2 Regiments of Horse. Deserters from the Enemy report, that yesterday 40 heavy Cannon were brought to their Camp from Audenarde, and that they expected 40000 Fasines and a great Number of Pioneers; from which 'tis conjectur'd the Enemy propose some Enterprize of Consequence before the End of the Campaign.

From the Camp at Helchin, Sept. 15. The Duke of Marlborough having Intelligence that the Enemy had appointed a Detachment to forrage this Morning at Templeuve and the Villages near it, march'd at Day-break with 20000 Foot and 5000 Horse and 12 Pieces of Cannon, with Design to attack the Guard that cover'd the Foragers and by that Means to draw the Enemy into a general Battle; but the French being inform'd of it, did not think fit to venture out of their Camp. His Grace therenpon gave Order that our Troops should forrage those Places, which was done without the least Opposition, tho' under the Cannon of Tournay, within a League of the Enemy's Camp and 3 from ours.

Hague, Sept. 16. 14 Dutch and 2 English Merchant Ships from the East-Indies, with 8 Dutch Ships from Surinam in the West-Indies, are arriv'd safe in the Texel. The former came from the Cape of Good Hope the 29th of April, the latter from Surinam the 20th of June, and joyn'd luckily the 1st of September off Hitland, where a Squadron of Men of War lay expecting the East-India Ships: 'Twas very fortunate they arriv'd there time enough to come with the Squadron; which must have return'd soon, being victual'd no longer than for the 15th of this Month. The Chevalier de Forbin having violated the Laws of Nations, in taking some of the Ships of our Ruffia Fleet out of a Port belonging to the King of Denmark, 'tis talk'd it will be expected by the States that his Danish Majesty will reclaim those Ships, or at least give Leave for our making Reprisals in his Ports. The 11th an Express arriv'd by the Way of Genoa from Barcelos, which he left the 24th of August. He has brought Letters from King Charles, in which he declares his Marriage with the Prince of Wolsembittel; and makes very pressing Instances for Succours. The Express reports, that the Catalonians are resolv'd to stand by King Charles to the last Drop of their Blood; but that Reinforcements are requisite towards making the best Advantage of that generous Disposition of theirs. The Express left the confederate Fleet off Nice the 1<sup>st</sup> Instant. He is to go over to England, with the like Notification and Instances from King Charles to Her Britannick Majesty; who it cannot be doubted will have all possible Regard thereto, Her Majesty having already intimated Her Willingness to contribute to the Pay of the German Troops which the Court of Vienna shall send to Catalonia; and 'tis taken for granted the States will follow Her noble Example. This Express says the French lost 3 or 4000 Men in their fruitless Attacks of Denia.

London, Sept. 9. Admiral Whetstone with the Squadron under his Command, arriv'd the 7th Instant in Hosely-Bay, with the East Country Fleet under his Convoy.